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In re Application of:

GREGORY H. SLOCUM

Serial No. 09/771,207

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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD OF DEMAND PLANNING FOR INTERMEDIATE AND BY-PRODUCTS**

Examiner:

SCOTT L. JARRETT

Art Unit: 3623

Confirmation No.: 7186

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The indication in the Notice of Allowance mailed 24 May 2006 that Claims 37, 38, 40-42, 44-46 and 48-51 of the subject Application, have been allowed, is noted with appreciation. However, the Applicant would like to comment on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

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